(b) The States and UTs are also advised to do manpower planning in such a way that such vulnerable sections of the society are provided adequate security as per local needs. The Government has also taken a decision that Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) would be the designated central force wherever the State Governments seek assistance of Central Forces for providing security to VIPs.

Controversy over police encounter

328. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI:
SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 19 year old Ishrat who was killed in a pofice encounter in Gujarat, alleging terrorist links, created controversy in Maharashtra;

(b) whether Government of India are aware that Human Rights Commission ordered enquiry into the incident; and

(c) whether Government of India are ordering CBI enquiry about the shootout?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) According to the available reports, killing of Ishrat, alongwith three others in an encounter with the police in Ahmedabad, has evoked mixed reactions in Maharashtra.

(b) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has asked the Government of Gujarat on 18.6.2004 to take appropriate action with regard to the investigation of the case, as per the guidelines issued by the Commission to all States/UT Governments on the procedure to be followed in all cases of deaths in police encounter.

The Commission has also directed that action be taken as per these guidelines and the final outcome thereof be reported to the Commission within six weeks.

(c) There is no such proposal.